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WEATHER
Arkansas—Fair and warmer in extreme north portion; Thursday fair and warmer.

ASK A. & M. HEAD TO RESIGN

Here and There

Editorial By ALEX. H. WASHBURN

THE president of the junior class of a junior college—still a very young gentleman—tells the head of the college that he is "dictatorial" and ought to resign. The head of the college tells the Board of Trustees he is handling matters the best he knows how . . . What are you going to do about it?

W. S. Atkins Files for Congress Seat in This District

Hope Attorney Makes 11th Hour Entry in Seventh District

ACTIVE LIQUIDATOR

Management of Closed Local Bank Leads State in Dividends

W. S. Atkins, who made an 11th hour entry into the congressional race in the Seventh Arkansas district, filing his corrupt practices pledge at Little Rock just before the deadline Tuesday night, has been a practicing attorney in this city for the last 20 years.

One of his most notable achievements is the liquidation of the closed Arkansas Bank & Trust Co. of Hope, which leads all banks of its size in percentage of actual cash recovery for depositors in the more than three years since the A. B. Banks & Co. failure the fall of 1930.

Prior to his appointment as deputy state bank commissioner in charge of the local institution, Mr. Atkins saw service as chairman of the State Penitentiary Board, being appointed by Governor John E. Martineau.

His only elective office is held by Mr. Atkins, a member of the State Democratic General Committee for six years, served for years on the Hempstead County Central Committee, and at present is chairman—the only man in the history of the organization to be chosen chairman while not being at this time an actual member of the county committee.

Mr. Atkins was born in Nevada county, but as a child moved across the line with his parents into Hempstead. Until 25 years old, he lived on a farm, then moved to Hope and self-educated himself for the bar. He has been a local attorney for 20 years, and has been admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court.

Weisner Charges Are Dropped Here

Evidence Following Auto Crash Is Held Insufficient

Three charges against Alvin Weisner were dropped this week in municipal court on motions by Deputy Prosecuting Attorney John Vose.

Insufficient evidence for conviction was said to have been the reason for withdrawing the charges which were driving while intoxicated, failing to stop after an accident, and reckless driving.

The charges against Weisner were brought by E. S. Greening following an automobile crash in which the Weisner car was damaged.

Other cases in court:

Andrew Jones and Oscar Graves were fined \$5 and costs each on assault and battery charges.

Joe Kelly pleaded guilty to taking \$5 in merchandise from L. C. Burr & Co., and was fined \$10 and sentenced to one day in jail.

Lawrence Perry was acquitted on charges of assault and battery.

Franklin Barr pleaded guilty to disturbing the peace and was fined \$5 and costs. The fine was suspended on good behavior.

A case against Fred Sykes on a charge of petit larceny was continued until May 21.

Y. B. M. A. to Meet 7:30 p. m. Friday

Dutch Luncheon Will Be Served Group at New Capital Hotel

A Dutch luncheon will be served today night at a meeting of the Young Business Men's Association at the new Capital hotel, starting at 7:30. All young men who desire to become members of the association are invited to attend. An appropriate program has been arranged.

Reed Will Oppose Governor Futrell for Re-Election

Former Comptroller Files 30 Minutes Before Time Expires

TICKET IS CLOSED

Walls Declines to Run—

"This Is No Time to Rock Boat"

LITTLE ROCK—Howard Reed, former state comptroller, entered the race for the nomination for governor at the Democratic primary next August a few minutes before the ticket closed Tuesday midnight.

Charles A. Walls of Loneoke, who had been mentioned frequently during the past two weeks as a possible candidate for governor, issued a statement early Tuesday night in which he said he had decided not to enter the race because he thought "this is no time to rock the boat."

It was believed that Walls' announcement that he would not become a candidate for governor would mean that Governor Futrell would not be opposed for renomination, but Reed appeared at the office of Harvey G. Combs, secretary of the state General Committee, about 11:30, asked for a blank party pledge, and left the room. He returned in a few minutes and five minutes before midnight filed the pledge and paid his ballot fee.

Two Oppose Terry

Other last minute filers included: Mayor Horace A. Knowlton and Dr. Horace E. Ruff for representative in Congress from the Fifth district, opposing D. D. Terry.

John L. McClellan, former prosecuting attorney of Malvern, for congressman from the Sixth district, opposing D. D. Glover.

William Thomas Jennings, Texarkana congressman from the Fourth district, opposing Ben Cravens of Ft. Smith.

W. S. Atkins of Hope, for congressman from the Seventh district.

J. Oscar Humphrey, for renomination for state auditor.

John L. Carter, for attorney general.

Dr. W. H. Abington of Beebe, state senator from the Faulkner-White district, qualified Tuesday afternoon as a candidate for the Third district congressional nomination, opposing Congressman John E. Miller of Searcy.

Offices Crowded

Offices of the committee secretary, in charge of W. P. Bowen, assistant secretary, in the absence of Mr. Combs, were crowded as the time drew near to close the entry list and some of those who waited until the last minute to file pledges and pay their fees had difficulty in pushing their way through the spectators to put their money on the "barrel head."

Mr. Reed did not make any statement concerning his decision to enter the race for governor.

Mr. Walls said he had decided not to enter the race because he did not want to be a participant in any movement that might delay solution of the state's economic and financial problems.

Mr. Walls' Statement

His statement follows:

"I have had much encouragement from all parts of the state to enter the race for the nomination for governor. This has come largely from sincere friends who favor the reforms in state government and the school program that I have advocated for a number of years. While I appreciate deeply the many offers of support, it is my opinion that in view of present depressed conditions it would not be conducive to the best interest of the state to engage in a political campaign under such circumstances.

"In these trying times the personal ambition of prospective candidates should yield to the public good, and in deciding that I shall not become a candidate at this time, I am prompted solely by the opinion I have formed that it is no time to rock the boat.

The boat may be full of holes but we must not let it sink. The state is bankrupt and every possible effort should be made to restore faith in our impaired credit. Whether or not we approve of the courses pursued by past or present administrations, it is now obvious to all that we must adopt some final policy with reference to our existing obligations and repeated agitation will not help an already wrecked financial system. The usual 90 days of bitter political campaigning would undoubtedly delay, if not hamper, chances of an early financial and economic recovery in the state. I do not want to be a participant in any movement that will in any wise delay such a recovery.

I regret exceedingly that no definite program has been adopted for the relief of our common schools. Unfortunately those upon whom this responsibility rests have made no effort to relieve the situation, and so far they have not manifested the slightest curiosity as to a proper solution of

FLAPPER FANNY SAYS:



The ring is many a girl's "prize."

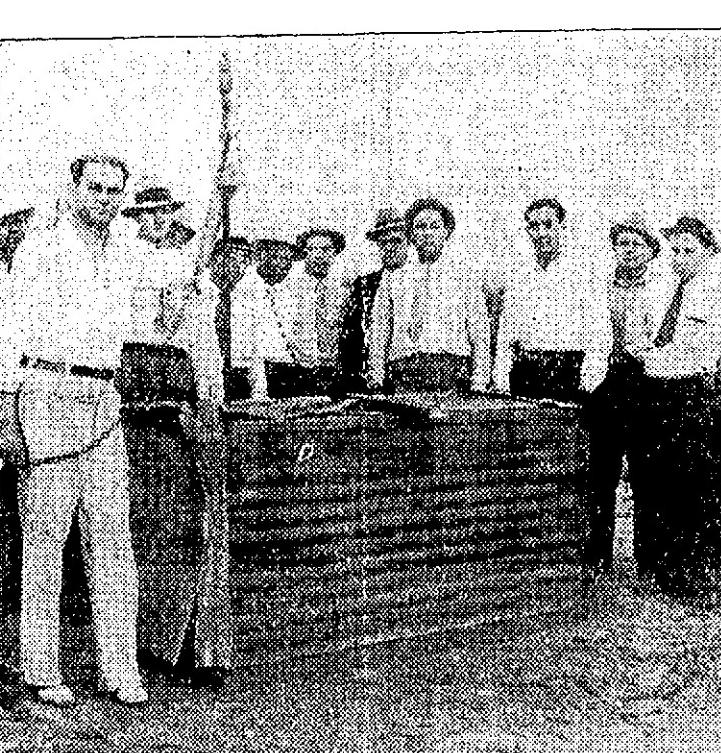
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Torture Box Which Held Kidnapped Child



NEA

These first pictures after the solution of the June Robles kidnapping show the tiny tin "torture box" where the rancher heiress was held prisoner 19 days. The man, half of whose body appears above the ground, is Undersheriff Farrar standing in the entrance to the box. Center shows Mexican workmen digging out the "coffin prison" after the kidnap victim had been taken out and returned to the arms of her mother, Mrs. Carlos Robles. Right, is a better view of the box taken after it had been removed from the grave. Standing beside it and holding the shackles which were locked about the tiny ankles of June, is Clarence Houston who found the hideout nine and a half miles from Tucson in the desert.



State Ticket

For Governor
J. M. Futrell
Howard Reed

For Lieutenant Governor
Lee Cazort

For Attorney General
Carl E. Bailey

John L. Carter

Hal L. Norwood

For State Auditor
T. H. Humphreys

J. Oscar Humphrey

Charley Parker

R. W. Parish

For Secretary of State
C. G. ("Crip") Hall

Ed F. McDonald

For Commissioner of State Lands
George W. Neal

For Associate Justice, Arkansas Supreme Court

(Position held by T. M. McHaffy)

T. M. McHaffy

(Position held by T. H. Humphreys)

T. H. Humphreys

(Position held by W. F. Kirby)

Basil Baker

W. F. Kirby

For Congressman, First District
E. H. Alexander

Clinton J. Caldwell

W. J. Dickey

W. L. Ward

For Congressman, Second District
W. H. Abington

John E. Miller

For Congressman, Third District
Earl C. Blansett

Claude A. Fuller

For Congressman, Fourth District
Ben Cravens

William Thomas Jennings

For Congressman, Fifth District
Horace A. Knowlton

Horace E. Ruff

D. D. Terry

Oscar H. Winn

For Congressman, Sixth District
D. D. Glover

John L. McClellan

For Congressman, Seventh District
W. S. Atkins

Wade Kitchens

Neil C. Marsh

Fletcher McElhanon

Tilman B. Parks

Kidnappers of Child May Be Arrested

Officers Following Hot Trail in June Robles Case

TUSCON—(AP)—Information that may lead to the quick arrest of the kidnappers of June Robles was given authorities Tuesday by the six-year-old girl herself, as she forgot the terror of 19 days chained to an underground box in the desert.

Suspicion was directed toward two unnammed persons, by fragmentary remarks June made to officers. The kidnappers had demanded \$15,000 ransom

for the release of the girl, who had been held captive for 19 days. The kidnappers were identified as the ones who had taken June from her home in Tucson.

It was reiterated that no ransom had been paid, that the \$10,000 collected by the father, Fernando Robles, was given to the kidnappers.

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BEHIND THE SCENES IN Washington



By Olive Roberts Barton

As a Precaution Against Accidents Choose Only Breed Best Adapted to the Home

One of the children in the family was bitten by a dog not long ago. I, who have championed dogs always, have not changed my views about their safety or desirability as pets, as almost everyone though I would after the catastrophe.

But it may be wise to talk dogs at this season of the year and take a sensible and serious view of the situation, and consider all the whys and wherefores of risk.

FACA has yet to hear from consumers. Director Joseph Cheote's blast against the bootlegging "monster" which some officials think has exaggerated, echoed the distillers' plea for lower taxes and import duties without mentioning what Senator Borah said "huge, enormous, unconscionable profits."

At about the same time one of the big wings of the "whisky monopoly" was found to have profited at the rate of 48 per cent in the last quarter of 1932.

Cheote didn't mention that much bootleg liquor now underseiling distillers' products is as good or better than legal stuff. Treasury lab tests show that.

Appointment of Fred Lee as FACA general counsel was hardly a body blow to distillers. Before the big bust-up at AAA, Lee and George Peck fought successfully for a distillers' code eliminating the Wallace-Tugwell program for a federal corporation or such strict control that whisky could be sold for \$1 or \$1.50 a quart.

After Peck was eased from AAA, Lee became law partner of Bill MacCracken of airmail-Senate contempt fame and turned over MacCracken's files to Col. L. H. Britton when the latter destroyed documents sought by a Senate committee.

Early FACA threats to attack the profit issue finally resulted in dispatch of cost questionnaires to distillers. But the answers won't disclose profits, because liquor now being made and stored—on which costs will be reported—may not be sold for months hence.

Distillers contend that what looks like huge profits really aren't, that banks won't give them credit, and that they must have the "profit" money to build up large stocks.

Gillespie Routin' 'Em

The House restaurant is crowded. But when Congressman Frank Gillespie of Illinois wants a table by himself he usually gets what he wants.

Sometimes he takes the vacant chair at a table and begins reciting poetry, staring at each other person in turn till they all jump and run.

The other day he sat down beside a strange woman, gazed fixedly at her, and went on like this—

"I see you're eating soup. Well do I remember the first time I ever ate soup. I was 22 years old. It was also the first time in my life I'd worn a pair of shoes."

"Yes, I never had on a pair of shoes until I was 22. All winter I walked to school barefooted, through two or three feet of snow."

"In my pockets I carried two blocks of wood and when my feet got too cold I'd put the blocks down and stand on them until my feet got warm again. Never will I forget the day when I lost the two blocks of wood!"

At that point his audience gulped the last of their soup and went away from there.

An Amazing Shift

No queerer reversal of roles ever happened here than the twin performance of Brig. Gen. Samuel T. Ansell and John G. Holland.

Ansell originally was special counsel for the Senate subcommittee investigating Huey Long's election of Senator Overton in Louisiana and Holland was the committee's chief investigator.

Each had his own row with the committee and quit. Both said it was afraid of Huey Long and was trying to whitewash corruption.

Now the two have joined together in a law firm known as "Ansell and Holland" and are representing Mrs. Hilda Phelos Hammond's Women's Committee of Louisiana, which seeks to oust both Long and Overton.

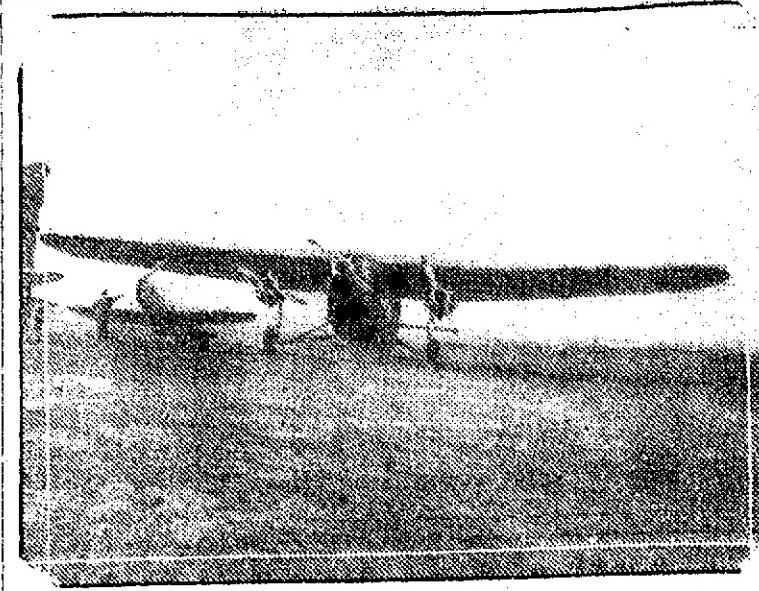
Appearing before the Senate elections committee no longer as Senate employees, they hammer away at the charges which they once accused the Connally subcommittee of "bootlegging."

Ansell was an acting judge advocate general of the Army during the war. Holland investigated Teapot Dome, air and ocean mail contracts, and many other scandals.

Mr. Insull Never Flees

A newspaperman here has just dug from his files a letter from a press

2-Day Air Show Opens in City



Pond and Sabelli Down in Ireland

Broken Gas Line Prevents Them From Reaching Rome

LACHINCH, Irish Free State.—(P)—Barely escaping a plunge into the sea, Capt. George Pond and Lieut. Cesare Sabelli brought their Rome-bound monoplane to earth on a sandbank near here early Tuesday night.

The main connection between the gasoline tank and motor of the craft broke, the fliers said, just before they came down on a small field about an acre in size. Forced to cut off their motor, the big orange plane ran into a sandbank, causing some damage to the undercarriage.

They landed at 8:30 p. m. local time (2:30 p. m. Eastern Standard Time), 32 hours and six minutes after taking off from Floyd Bennett airfield at 6:24 a. m. Eastern Standard Time, Monday.

Although defeated in their attempt

at a nonstop New York to Rome flight, they completed the season's first aerial crossing of the Atlantic. No plane has ever successfully made the nonstop journey to Rome from America.

Had the gasoline line of the Pond-Sabelli plane broken ten minutes earlier, the fliers would have been forced down before reaching the rock-bound coast of County Clare, one of the wilder areas in the British Isles.

Ocean Obscured

"It was the worst experience I ever had," said Pond, after walking two miles to Lachinch where the fliers rested at a hotel.

"We saw absolutely nothing from

the time we left Newfoundland until

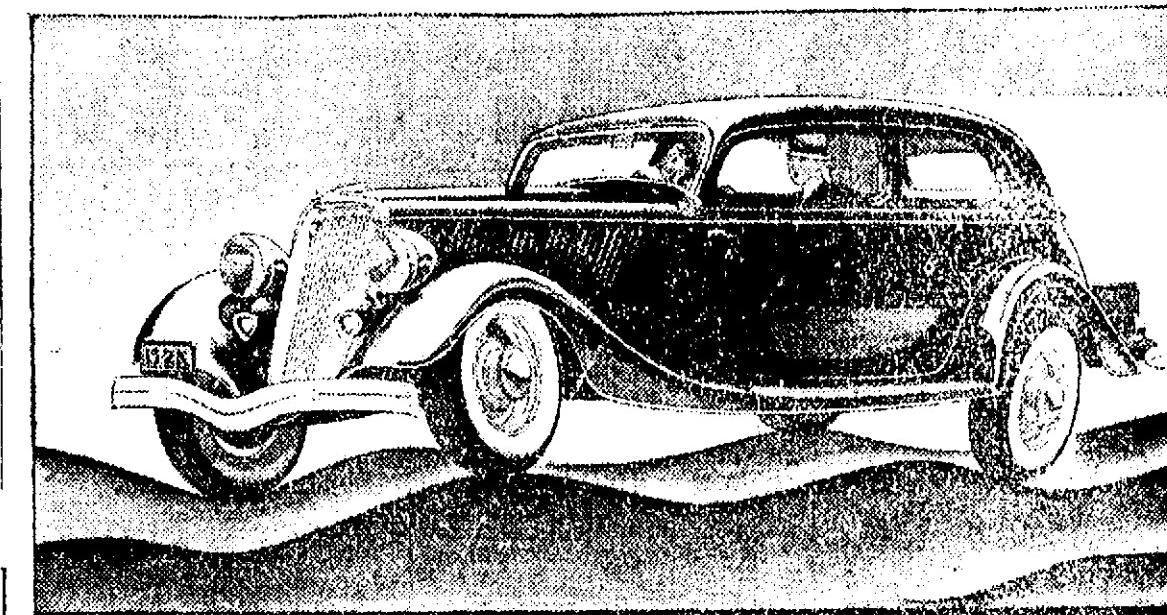
reaching Ireland. We encountered much fog and a very strong, veering wind."

The fliers sought aid from Baldonnel airfield, Dublin, and an Air Corps unit there was sending a machine to help repair the plane. They hoped repairs would be completed Wednes-

day in time for a takeoff for Rome before nightfall.

At Aulnay-sur-Bois, France, has been sunk what is considered the deepest artesian well in the world. It is 1400 feet deeper than the Eiffel Tower is high.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Barber had as week-end guests, Mrs. R. W. Chandler

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To Give Concert Here Friday



of Stamps, and Miss Ruth Harris of Flint, Texas.

Mrs. Johnnie McCabe is spending a few days with relatives and friends in Dallas, Texas.

Honors continue to come to Miss Mary Bell Marshall, who is attending the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston, Mass., the latest compliment she has received was her selection as soloist for the concluding meeting of the Boston chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, playing at Bradford Hotel on May 15. Miss Marshall also received a cash award given each year by the chapter to an outstanding pupil chosen by them.

The latest club organization in the city is the "Secret Nit Wits" the members of the club will be ruled by the queen and king duchess. They will be entertained by Nifty Witt and Nit Witty, the jesters, who are both members of the club. The club motto will be "Out for Fun." There will be comic programs at every meeting, which will be held in the homes of the different members. The first meeting will be held Friday night.

Ike T. Bell, Sr., Ike T. Bell, Jr., and Miss Maggie Bell were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Marshall in Texarkana.

Mrs. E. I. Rephan were Sunday business visitors in Nashville.

Miss Tincie Gray of Houston, Texas, and Philip Johnson of Shreveport, La., are spending this week with their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Phillips.

The Pipers of Pan met Monday evening in the home of their sponsor, Mrs. John Wellborn for their annual induction ceremony. Misses Frances Snyder and Lynn Bayless were initiated into full fellowship with the club in an impressive ceremony presided over by Mrs. C. C. McNeill, president of the Friday Music club.

Following the ceremony, Mrs. McNeill read the standard of efficiency expected of all junior clubs of the state. The Pipers of Pan have the distinction of being the first Federated Junior Music club in the city, they are affiliated with the Friday Music club and the State and National Federation of Music clubs. The club president, Miss Wanda Keith, named Miss Lynn Bayless club rating chairman for the coming year. During the busines period, the club decided to

undertake the sale of fifty tickets for the Ross Graham concert in this city Friday night at the city hall.

Mrs. J. F. Gorin returned Wednesday from a few days visit with relatives and friends in Little Rock.

Progressive Womanhood will be the subject for the Womans Christian Temperance Union meeting at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. M. Canby on East Second street with Mrs. W. R. Muldrow as joint hostess. All members are urged to be present and bring literature for distribution.

The Hope Garden club will hold their May meeting on Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the home of Miss Mary Carrigan on North Elm street. The president urges a full attendance of members and come prepared to discuss a Fall Flower Show.

Beautiful in every detail, was the bridge party given Tuesday afternoon at the Capital Hotel, by Mrs. E. I. Rephan and Mrs. Martin Van Pool. The keynote of the decorations was spring, and the theme was very beautifully carried out with a profusion of lovely sweet peas arranged in vases and flower baskets forming a charming setting for the fifteen tables arranged for the players in the main dining room. The spring motif was also observed in the tables and scenic pads. The hostesses were assisted in receiving their guests by Mrs. Jack Bush, Mrs. Collyer Cox of Prescott and Mrs. Hogue of Nashville. Attire favors went to Mrs. Webb Laster, Jr., Mrs. Mac Duffie and Mrs. Kline Snyder. At the conclusion of the game, a most tempting salad course was served with iced tea, each plate bearing a corsage of sweet peas for the guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Anderson had as Sunday guests Mr. and Mrs. Clark of Pine Bluff.

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them, why its foolishness."

Declares President Unpopular

Another feature witness of the afternoon session was Charles Gibson of Dermott, a former student. He appeared voluntarily. He said that he considered President Horsfall's annual lectures on dancing "as a joke." He said he had heard them several times and did not take them seriously because he had been making them year after year.

Touching on another charge by students, that the president is disliked by alumni, Gibson said he had contacted several hundred in the past few months and that all of them gave him the impression that they dislike President Horsfall. He said they consider the president was crude in his operation of the college.

A Roman clockmaker, Dante Battarini, pulled a large motorcar containing six passengers 300 yards up a hill with a rope held in his teeth.

About 75 per cent of the total area of Donnack is under cultivation, and supplies a livelihood to about 34 per cent of its population.

A 105-year-old Colombian woman, Dona Coletina, has 84 descendants and knows all their names.

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Mr. Lewis, operating as the P. A. Lewis Motor company, will manage the service station in connection with the used car and parts business he has maintained for several years on Washington street, close by the station.

He will handle used cars, new and used parts, batteries and tires, and will wash and grease cars, as well as retailing gasoline and oil.

Mail Robbers Get Stiff Sentences

Banghart and Schmidt Given 36 and 32 Years Asheville

ASHEVILLE, N. C. — (AP) — Basil Banghart and Ludwig Schmidt, Chicago gangsters, were sentenced to 36 and 32 years, respectively, here Wednesday after conviction in the \$10,000 mail truck robbery at Charlotte last November.

Germany Angling for Arms Treaty

Italian Geneva Delegate Finds Hitler's Views Changing

GENEVA, Switzerland. — (AP) — Germany was reported Wednesday as seeking ways and means of returning to the international disarmament conference from which she withdrew last year.

It is understood that Baron Alois, Italy's delegate to the League of Nations, told Captain Anthony Eden, British lord of the privy seal, and other leaders, that Germany is showing a disposition to participate in negotiations toward an agreement on the arms situation.

Lloyd, of the original cast, and Paul Cavanaugh, William Stack, Desmond Roberts and Nathan Curry added.

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GETTE KIDNAPERS

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not hijackers.

"One question, addressed directly to Gette was, 'What did I play with on my one and only trip to the ranch?' Another question was, 'Who was there at that time?'

"In due time I got the answers back from one of the kidnappers whom I knew as Percy. 'You played with a green parrot,' was the answer to the first question. Dan Richards and George Lutzi were there at the time. The width of the main stream of the Amazon river in South America is from four to six miles.

Chile has the highest accidental death rate in the world. The United States ranks second in this respect.

REED WILL

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the problem. It is my greatest desire to see the common schools rehabilitated and all the boys and girls of the state given proper educational opportunities. This, the most needed reform in the state.

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DONNA of the BIG TOP

DONNA and Bill decided to be married in September. From the day the decision was made Donna was in a fever of excitement. One moment she was determined to tell Bill the truth about her coming to the farm; the next she was just as determined to go through with the ceremony, keeping him in ignorance as long as possible.

Donna regretted that she had destroyed the letters Madeline had written, for they would have supplied proof that the trickery had been of the other girl's planning.

Mrs. Planter went about her duties with pinched lips and a silent disapproval that expressed itself in everything she did. Sometimes Donna could feel the narrow eyes studying her and the girl determined that, once she was Bill's wife, the housekeeper should be dismissed.

Yet the days of preparing for the wedding were, on the whole, happy ones. Long hours with Bill only increased her love for him. Although his physical magnetism, obvious good looks and cheery nature had first won her admiration, now it was those sterling qualities of character—his sense of honor, unselfishness and high principles—that each day made him dearer.

The fact that she knew Bill to be the soul of integrity himself made her even more afraid to tell him what she had done.

It was not so much her return to the farm after her injury that made her feel guilty as it was the first deliberate deception that had brought her there. Looking back at those 24 hours when she had lied to Bill to believe she was his cousin, when she had taken advantage of the old man's blindness, Donna's cheeks burned with shame.

Loving Bill with every throb of her heart and every breath she drew, finding his presence dearer than life itself, she could not bring herself to risk the loss of her happiness when it seemed so close within her grasp.

She and Bill spent long, lazy days under the trees beside the little stream. They discovered that they had many tastes in common, learned the sheer, exquisite delight of silences shared with another with whom words were unnecessary. Now that he was at peace, Bill seemed to have more leisure and every possible waking moment he spent with Donna.

Minnie Jones, who was as proficient with a needle as she was with her tongue, came to help make the trousseau. It was a simple one, suitable for a farmer's wife, but because marriage to Donna was a holy sacrament she wanted everything new. Fortunately, like many troupeurs, she had never banked her money but had carried it in a "grouch bag" around her waist and she was well supplied with funds.

She and Bill made several trips to Lebanon where she purchased chepe de chine, soft cambric and lace. Later, sitting on the front porch, she and Minnie stitched and cut and stitched and cut until the brilliant sunlight drove them into the house.

As usual, Minnie's tongue kept pace with her needle but, since most of her conversation consisted of singing Bill's praises, Donna did not mind.

"I do think, Miss Madeline, that Bill is just the grandest person in the world. Not even Preacher Evans is a better man and, just as I was sayin' to Ma, you're mighty lucky to be gettin' him. I spose you know most every girl in Lebanon set her cap for him. Not that I don't any of 'em any good! Bill never took to no one till you came."

"Not even Mattie Blake?" Donna laughed.

"Oh, her!" Minnie bit off the thread, held up a silk combination and studied her stitches. "Some folks did speculate as to whether Bill and her would get married, but 'twen you and me and the gatepost I alius knew Bill wouldn't have her. I reckon he kept company with her for a while because she was smarter than most of the Lebanon girls—school teacher, you know—and then she'd been to Normal in Indianapolis and could talk the way Bill does. But pshaw, as I says to Ma, it takes more'n talk to make a wedding or I'd be a married a good many years."

"You do like to talk, don't you, Minnie?"

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OUT OUR WAY

By WILLIAMS

WHY DON'T I LET GO?—CUZ I GOT MY FOOT CAUGHT, AN' IF I LET GO WITH MY HANDS, IT'LL THROW ME OVER ON TOP OF TH' HOUSE—CAN'T YOU SEE THAT?

BY GOSH! YOU DID USE YOUR HEAD, FER ONCE, DIDN' YOU? YOUR HEAD'S WHAT'S KEEPIN' YOU FROM FLYIN' OVER THERE NOW, TH' CONCRETE IN IT.

HEROES ARE MADE—NOT BORN

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The Topic of the Day!

By MARTIN

I STILL SURE! SHE'LL BE ANOTHER SOUVENIR LIKE A NIAGARA FALLS PENNANT

SURE! SHE'LL BE JUST AS INTERESTED IN A COW, IF SHE'D NEVER SEEN ONE BEFORE

HOW COME TH' MOB SCENE? I THOUGHT BOOTS HAD GONE PLACES WITH RONNIE

WELL, DAT'S JES HOW GOOD SHE IS! SHE CAN DRAW A CROWD AN' NOT EVEN BE AROUND

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